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In re: Application of

Inventor: Nancy Karen Zangle et al.

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Application No. 09/770520

Examiner: NGUYEN

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Group Art Unit: 3643

Title: CAT TOY

Commissioner of Patents
P.O. BOX 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Dear Commissioner:

This amendment is responsive to the non-final Office Action maile on December 16, 2002. Filed herewith is a petition requesting a three-month extension pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, extending the period of response until June 16, 2003. In response to the outstanding Office Action, please enter the following amendments:

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Please amend claims 1 and 9 as follows:

GROUP 3600

1. (Amended Thrice) A cat toy comprising:

a flexible elongated tube capable of being positioned in a multitude of S-shaped curves, the tube having a first end, a second end, and a middle portion, the elongated tube made from a crinkly plastic film molded to a plurality of spring-steel coiled wire loops which form a helical frame structure, the helical frame structure having at least one loop per inch along the entire length of the elongated tube, the middle portion of the elongated tube having an interior surface and exterior surface, and a layer of fabric attached to the interior surface of the middle portion and a second layer of fabric attached

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